Royal Auto Sales

JANUARY 27, 2015

Royal Auto Sales Special Exception 6210 E. Virginia Beach Boulevard

Located

 North side of E. Virginia Beach Boulevard just east of Kempsville Road

Area Development

- Commercial uses
- 43 other car sales and service establishments from N. Military Highway to Norfolk city line

Request

 Special Exception for Automobile Sales and Service



Existing Site Development

8,300 square foot office building

• Built in 1964

Commercial Communication Tower

100 feet tall

Approved by Special Exception in 1999



Background

March 2014: City Council approves amendment to *plaNorfolk2030*

 Provided guidance for auto-related uses to ensure compatibility and compliance with regulations, specifically landscaping.

October 2014: Application received

Landscaping and stormwater management on the site recommended along E.
Virginia Beach Boulevard and the east side of the property.

November 2014: City Council adopts specific zoning language

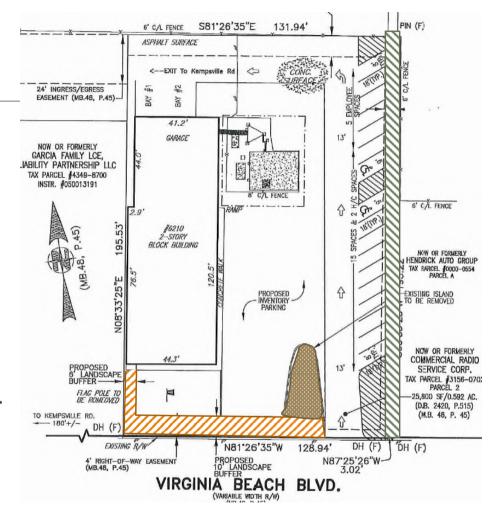
Improvements

Staff recommended landscaping and stormwater management on:

- E. Virginia Beach Boulevard (orange)
- Eastern property line (green)

The property owner proposes to remove existing landscaped island (brown) and install strip along road frontage (orange) for a net increase of 400 ft²

Property owner believes that if landscaping is added along the eastern side of the property, there would be insufficient space on the site to display the cars for sale



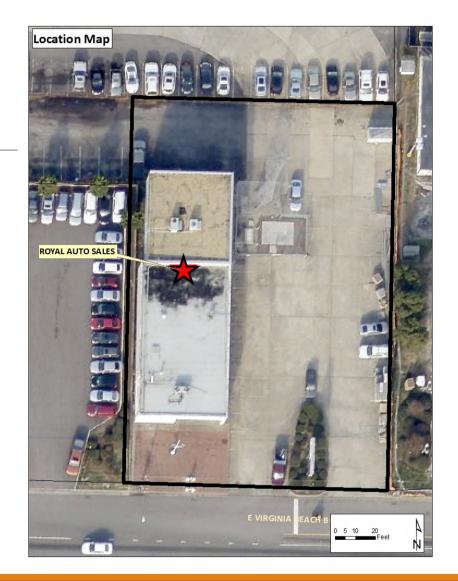
Parking

Automobile sales:

- 1 parking space per 500 square feet of building
- The operator is proposing to use only 3,300 square feet of the building
 - 18 parking spaces available on site
 - 7 parking spaces required plus 1 for tower
 - 10 parking additional parking spaces on site
 - Those spaces and the remainder of pavement on the site would be used for the display of cars for sale

5,000 square feet of building with no parking

 Current standards require 20 spaces for the remaining portion of the building



Council Options

1. Deny the request

- Recommendation of Planning Staff and Planning Commission
- 12/10/2014 letter of opposition received from Maple Hall and Hollywood Homes Civic League

2. Approve the request – 2 Options

- Include all of the staff recommended stormwater and landscape improvements
- Include stormwater and landscaping only on E. Virginia Beach Boulevard frontage as per owner request